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PASSPORT AND IDENTITY PAPERS			
DESCRIPTION: Date & Birth		Birthplace	Nationality
Sex	Height	Weight	Hair Eyes Color
Distinguishing Features			
Languages			
LNG General Staff member.			
Profession Capable man.			
Political comissar.			
Miscellaneous Information: President, APCND, communist party member.			
Colonel-General.			

SECRET

1. A 17134
Reliable
11/14/43
2. R and A
1175/62
6/3/44
3. R and A
1175/64
6/17/44
4. A 31331
B-3
6/2/44
5. F 6283, 3/6/46. See document for info on subject's representative in Rome.
6. JZX-3010
Aug. 1945. Leader of the Extreme Leftist Party. Now Gen of the Army
President of the Council of Ministers, Commander of the
Armed Forces, and Secretary of the Communist Party.
7. 15760-531, 5/31/46.

See info card.

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Lt. Gen. and Prime Minister of Albania. Head of Communist-controlled Resistance Gov't under Germans. Previously employed as private official at cigarette factory of Ibrahim Bey BICAKCIU. Beg 46 gave orders for execution of father-in-law, Bahri OMARI, who had been Foreign Minister in MITROVICA Gov't.

PSRO-524
JHX-EU33
Oct 18, 46

Opened preceeding at Convention of Democratic Front 8 Oct with long review of Albanian internal and foreign policy. Relations with US and UK. See document.

PIR-176, 23/10/46
Fortnightly I.
Summary #13

Stated Albanians sincere allies of Yug Federated Democracy. Exchange of good-will envoys sponsored by USSR.

PIR-255
16 Nov 46

Subject on 13 January sent telegram to Foreign Ministers of U.S., Russia and Britain demanding representation at Moscow Conference on German Peace treaty.

IN 47183
15 Jan. 47

Bahri OMARI(qv) is brother-in-law of Subject.

OSS Reports
21 March 1948

JZX 7651

Yugoslav backlog.

ACommunist Commissioner Liaison Committee with TITO.
Commander in Chief-General of ANLA. Premier of Albania.

711X, 3/30/45

RYOG Sketch: 59, Col Gen., Prime Min. of Albania, Min of Nat. Defense, Comm.-in - chief of Army, Min. of For. Affairs; was a French teacher at Tirana and Korca until Italian occupation in 1939. Became prominent agitator against Fascism and King ZOG. Commanded Nat. ~~King's~~ Army of Lib. June 1944 despite complete lack of military training. Skilful organizer and politician. Has become puppet of USSR. Political influence: Communist control of Albanian Army through DMP(QV), anti-American and British and pro-soviet.

WAR DEPT.
SID. 72273
11/2/47

RYOG info. given confirms that above with few exceptions--age 35, and additions - did not participate in resistance against Italians until Russia entered war; became henchman for MILADINI, Serb organizer of Albanian Communist Party, who appointed him Political Commissar of Communist General Staff. Later he appointed himself Supreme Cmdr. and assumed rank of Col. Gen. at Communist congress held in Permeti

PIR-1124
Jan. 47

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was elected head of Provisional Gov. of Permeti. At present he is President of Council of Ministers, For. Affairs Min. and Supreme Cmdr. (actual powers is held by Koci XOXE (qv) and Sejfulla HALE-SHOVA (qv))

PIR-1124
Jan 47

Source reports Subject is not really in charge of Albania but that affairs are actually directed by a committee composed of 4 Russians, 2 Yugos, and 2 Albanians. Koco ZOZO (probably Gen Koxhi XHOXHE) is one of members.

MA TURKEY
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7/3/47

Subject presently in Moscow. Reportedly there by Stalin to sound out possibility of granting Northern Epirus to the Free Greek Gov.

IN 18299
16/7/47
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Received order of SUVOROV.

STATE 151700A 15/8/47.

Returned Albania.

PIR-368, Sept 46

Is believed that 1 month ago, KARAGJANI & Hepi REKAP(qv), Alb. IS agents, submitted rpt to Italian Central Communist Comm. declaring that Subj. had approached elements of British IS to obtain aid and advice as to possibilities of overthrowing Soviet domination in Albania.
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NASA-874(encl 32) dtd
Nov '51; (from CIC
430th Det./Austria, r pt
dtd 23 Aug 1948; inform
and Austrian businessmen
recently in Rome.

In recent speech Subject clearly defines Albania in role of Yugo. satellite.

IN 25091
3 Oct 47
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See Albanian Personalities for extracts of speeches made by Subject.

PIR-1
10/10/47

See Doc. for complete OIR biog. data on Subject. Doc. filed in Albanian Personalities dossier.

OIR-4556
12/1/48

Reported death of Koco ZOZO.

PIR-4350
10/10/47

Source that Subject has sought asylum in American Embassy.

PIR-4350
10/10/47
Folder 106

Elected member of the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers' Party (new name of the Albanian CP) following the party's first congress on 8 Nov. Subject is also Secretary General of the party and member of the Politburo. As of 28 Nov. Subject was Prime Minister, Minister of National Defense and Minister of Foreign Affairs.
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A 33785

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7/11/44

Major purpose now seems to be to destroy Nationalist organizations (BK, Movement of Legitimacy, ZOGISTS), war against Germans gradually assuming secondary importance.

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Apologized for his threat to British liaison officers attached to Abas Kupa whom he condemns as a collaborator; claims he had been forced to make such a gesture, because his constant efforts to have the Allied mission to KUPI withdrawn had failed. Explained that he never actually considered placing British officers on military trial, added that further documentary proof of KUPI's collaboration had instigated his threat.

R & A

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9/9/44

Prime Minister.

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As of March 22, 1946, subject is now Prime Minister, Minister of National Defense, and Minister of Foreign Affairs.

A-54334 GB-4534

Z, 4/10/45

Albania (B-2)

15760-405

5 April

1946.

Met TCHUVAKIH (qv) at airport 10 Jan 46 with NISHANA and KHXHE

JRX-3445

6 Jun 46

Commander of the National Liberation Army.

JZX-7940

20 April 1946.

On 18 March, subject handed in his Government's resignation and was requested to form a new one.

JRX-1345

March 20, 1946.

DIMITROV's agent in Albania. Subject is negotiating the formation of a Federation which would include his country.

JRX-6340

2 March 1946.

Subject in speech before the General Council of the Democratic Front explaining his country's progressive foreign policy based upon the policy of the National Liberation Front and friendship with USSR.

FBIS-CIG

No. 205

15 Oct. 1946

Subject left Paris on 16 Sept. 46 and denounced the conference.

State Dept. Sit. Report

No. 1175.150 20 Sept. 46

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WELA-1792

26 Jan '49

Prime Minister, Commander-in-Chief of the Army, and Sec'y-General of the Communist Party.

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Subject is 41 years of age and comes from Gjinokaster. In 1944 he married Nexhmije SANXHAKTARI. He resigned from his teaching job in 1940 to open a book and stationery store in Tirana. From his stationery store, Subject directed "anarchist" activity. The first group of Albanian Communists consisted of Koci XOXE, Ymer DISENICA, Gogo Nushi, and Enver HOXHA, all having been trained in Communism in France.

PGA-4010

C-3

25 May 1949

After the German attack on the Soviet Union, the various bands of Albanian Communists (because there was no Party then) united under the leadership of two Yugoslav Communists assigned to them by the Communist Party of Yugoslavia. The names of the Yugoslavs were DORGAN and MILLADIN. The leadership of the Party thus formed was temporarily assigned to Enver HOXHA, and this was definitely confirmed at the First Plenary Congress in October, 1941 in Liembinoti (Elbasan).

Subject was also assigned the military command of the struggle of the Partisans. On 24 May 1944, the Meeting of the Supreme Council of the National Liberation Front, held in Premeti, appointed Subject President of the first provisional Government and Commander-in-Chief of the National Liberation Army. He was given the rank of Colonel-General.

Since 1945, Subject has had the position of Minister of Foreign Affairs, as well as Prime Minister. The First Congress of the Party elected him Secretary-General and member of the Politburo (November, 1948).

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According to the French Minister in Tirana, CHANTIER(qv), Subject left Tirana for Moscow via a USSR plane on 14 Nov., accompanied by a Soviet general. CHANTIER believes that Subject was summoned to discuss latest Kremlin strategy against TITO. Subject's trip was separately reported by another hitherto reliable source, who claimed that Subject was asked to go to Moscow after the Yugoslav note of 2 Nov. to discuss the deteriorating internal Albanian situation and seek public and immediate manifestation of USSR interest in the Albanian province after note of 14 Nov., repeated demand and received Moscow approval for an immediate trip. Subject is said to be seeking credits and industrial equipment and goods from five European countries and will inform the Kremlin that Albania is unable to meet foreign trade commitments because of rapidly decreasing output in minerals, foodstuffs.

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Am. Embassy

Belgrade

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15 Nov. 1949

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25 Nov. '49

Albania's Premier Enver Hoxha has been promoted from Colonel General to Moscow Newspaper the rank of General of the Army Moscow papers announced today. The Press also announced the arrival of the new Albanian Minister to the Soviet Union.

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FBIB Daily Report
No. 243-1949
19 Dec. 1949

(AFP, French Press Service, 17 Dec. 1949)

"Belgrade -- It is learned from a good source that Mr. Enver HOXHA, Albanian Premier, returned on December 15 to Tirana after a stay of about one month in Moscow. According to well informed circles, the Albanian Premier studied with the Russian leaders the situation resulting from the liquidation of the civil war in Greece, which now....Albania from the other satellites, as well as the consequences of Yugoslavia's denunciation on November 12 of the friendship treaty between the two countries. Finally, according to certain persons, it is possible that Mr. HOXHA, who was accompanied in his trip by the Soviet Minister to Tirana, asked for increased aid from Russia."

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The Am. Embassy, Moscow, has not been able to confirm the rumored Moscow visit of HOXHA. The Soviet press reported that Mrs. HOXHA(qv) represented Albania at a session of the WIDE council just held in Moscow. It is also possible that, though no mention of it has been made, HOXHA may have attended the Cominform meeting in Hungary.

Control-12119

Am. Embassy, Moscow

2974, dated 30 Nov. 49

The French Ambassador (who together with the Italian Ambassador last night attended a dinner given by the new Albanian Minister in Moscow) says he is sure HOXHA has not been in

Moscow.

HOXHA's new military title (General of the Army) may be preparatory to sending a high-ranking Red Army officer to Albania something a la KHRUSHCHEVSKY in a precautionary move aimed at increasing Soviet control over the country and discouraging any action by TITO or the West against this small, exposed satellite. The French Ambassador thinks this very likely.

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General Hoxha granted a farewell audience to Hungarian Minister on 18 Dec. 49. FBIB 243-1949

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The French Embassy reports the return of HOXHA to Tirana on 16 Dec. The continuous absence of HOXHA since 16 Nov. is partly confirmed by the fact that HOXHA signed no ministerial decrees in the interim period.

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Am. Embassy, Belgrade

No. 1301

20 Dec. 1949

Subject returned to Tirana from Moscow with two special advisors for military and political affairs. No political changes are evident but a military reorganization is underway.

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Shyqerl CUCIT's /unt, who is resident in Albania, is the mother of ~~xxx~~ Subject.

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VIEN-3560
3 Jan. 1950

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dt inf March 1950

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OO-W-6806/49
"To Vima"
30 Oct. 1949

A dispatch from London in the Greek newspaper "To Vima" states the following: It has been reliably reported that Subject is negotiating with the Yugoslavs to abandon the Cominform camp and to reanimate his former friendship with Tito.

A dispatch from Paris in the Greek newspaper "Acropolis" of 13 Nov. 1949 states the following: The Cominform has accused Subject of Titoism. This accusation brings astonishment because Subject has been considered the affectionate child of the Kremlin. Indignation against Moscow, however, is manifest in Albania. Subject, despite his curses on TITO, is now considered wayward. Subject's first warning from Moscow came when he was asked to reinforce MARKOS' guerrillas and was accused of negligence and "narrow-mindedness" in his mission for the first time in his life. Later, Subject received another and more serious warning. He was ordered to appear before the leaders of the Cominform in Moscow. However, for the first time Subject disobeyed the Kremlin's orders. Furthermore, he accepted an invitation from TITO to come to Yugoslavia to discuss matters concerning the purchase of lead, manganese, and phosphorus.

Only a few days ago Subject met with Mose PIJADE. PIJADE arrived in Tirana bearing definite proposals from TITO. At this meeting PIJADE proposed:

- a) Reopening of the Albanian-Yugoslav borders; b) resumption of trade relations between Albania and Yugoslavia; c) a TITO-HOXHA meeting at a point on the Albanian-Yugoslav border.

When Moscow was informed of these Yugoslav proposals, VISHINSKY, who was in New York at the UN General Assembly, met privately with KARDELJ, the Yugoslav representative and Minister of Foreign Affairs. The next day, the fireworks began. A telegram was dispatched from Moscow to Tirana. The Kremlin accused Subject of being a traitor to Communism. Subject was asked to resign immediately from his position as chief of staff of the Albanian Army and to substitute someone else. Subject, however, had no desire to resign. He answered Moscow, through his representative, that he has always remained faithful to the People's Democracies and that he is willing to repent. This is how the situation stands at present.

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Hoxha has reportedly disappeared -- not known where or why. Enver TONA arrested.

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Hoxha has been ~~xxxxxx~~ imprisoned in Shengjin for 15 days. Authority of Subj. over Alb. Army greatly diminished; majority of officers & enlisted men, even those who had once supported present regime, were anxious to revolt.

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"Molotov sent a telegram of thanks to General Enver Hoxha, in reply to Hoxha's birthday wishes to Molotov. (Tirana, ATA, 23 Mar 50) "

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(SO-3757)

IN 19646

SO 37581

23/3/50

(SO-37743)

IN 20716

IN 20490

SO 37764

27/3/50

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According to Albanian Telegraph Agency broadcast of April 12, General Enver Hoxha made a speech at the second national conference at the Albanian Workers' Party.

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Subject, Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Peoples Republic of Albania, Dr. Omer Nishani, President of the Presidium of the People's Assembly; Vice Chairman of the Council of Ministers, Tuk Jakova, Mehmet Shehu, and Spiro Koleka; Comrade Bedri Spahiu, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers' Party, members of the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers' Party, the Government, and the Presidium of the People's Assembly; People's Army generals; representatives of mass and cultural organizations; men of science and arts; representatives of the Albanian and foreign press, and many other personalities attended the reception of 4 April given by Janos Botji, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the Peoples' Republic of Hungary -- Tirana -- The occasion of the National Holiday of the 5th Anniversary of Hungary's liberation by the glorious Soviet Army.

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Supreme Commander of Albanian Army is in hands of Subject.

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DST-71/2 May50
Feb 50 d.info
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Election by General Council of Albanian Democratic Front as President of its Presidium. The Presidium made up of 17 member--other officers including Tuk JAKOVA, Cogo NUSHI, Medar SHYLLA, Muslim PEZA & Hysni KAPO.

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FBIS #94

15 May 50

From CIA BR dtd 21 Sept 49:

Sept 49 Soviet Minister to Albania, CHUVAKIN, said unfavorably inclined toward Subj. & allegedly considering his replacement by another leader. Subj. ~~strongly~~ strongly displeased by promotion of Mehmet SHEHU at this time, which was made on direct order Moscow. Oct 49 rptd that Subj. was planning to break with Moscow & accused Vice-Premier SHEHU of being Soviet tool. Rptd Subj. trying approach Western powers following TITO's example...Since Subj. had no desire resign upon Soviet request following his meeting Nov 49 with Tito's associate, Moss BILJADE, doubtful that Russia would be satisfied with repentance, instead of resignation, & subsequently Subj. probably will not hesitate at a chance obtain more power & authority, even if must follow Tito's example. ...Rptd Jan 50 when Subj. made speech Tirana praising Cominform commanders Moscow, that masses were cool toward him.... Yugoslav paper mentioned Subj. among high Albanian leaders taking part in preparation spy group to be smuggled into Yugoslavia.....Born 16 October 1908 at Gjinokaster; Muslim of Bektashi sect. ab

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FBIS #11,
17/1/50

Appointed Premier by the first session of the Second Legislature of the People's Assembly 5 July 1950

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FBIS #130
6 July 1950

This same FBIS had stated that Mehmet SHEHU (qv) had been appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs and of National Defense. According to Steve Peters of OIR, however, this information incorrect; Shehu continues as Minister of Interior, and HOKHA continues as Premier, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of National Defense.

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RM40-50
14 Feb. '50
Italy, Rome

War Minister and Supreme Commander of Armed Forces.
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Under Election Law No. 34, the Central Election Commission has confirmed the election of subject as a deputy from the Tirana District to the People's Assembly.

(FBIS-108 3 June 1950)

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List of present organization of Albanian cabinet: Subject is Army Corps General and Prime Minister.

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Subject has of late been in disagreement with many opinions expressed by Minister of Interior SHEHU(qv). Any deterioration of relations between Subj. and SHEHU would seem to reflect personal rivalry, rather than conformance with a Soviet-dominated policy.

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On 15 October 1950 on occasion of Enver HOXHA's birthday, aircraft of unknown nationality dropped propaganda leaflets, in Gheg dialect, and signed by Comm. for Free Albania, over Shkoder area.

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Subject gave his report on agriculture before the Second Congress of the Albanian Workers' Party, held in Tirana on 10 April 1950. He claimed only partial success for the fulfillment of the 1949 agricultural plan.

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PTIA-1074
14 Sept 50
Att#1(M-903-7)
CIG TRUST

R-271-50
G-2 TRUST F-3
dtd 11 July 50

SO-50124(IN-47737/
Roma 7058 dtd 2 Nov 50
B-3

OO-W-12104
Bashkimi #1652
dtd 11 Apr 50

OO-W-12103
Dashkimi
dtd 11 Apr 50

In his speech before the Second Congress of the Albanian Workers' Party, held in Tirana on 10 April 1950, Subject admitted that the 1949 economic plan was not fulfilled and blamed the failure on sabotage of industrial installations by the enemies of the current regime, this especially evident in the petroleum industry, especially at Patos, which was assigned the most important part of the plan. Besides sabotage by the Yugoslavs, which he claimed is still being felt, Hoxha pointed to sabotage by the opposition group of Abedin Shehu, by Shyqri Kellezi who was formerly director of the Petroleum Combine, by Nasi Mariani who was formerly director at Patos, and by other enemy technicians and administrators who worked there and enjoyed the confidence and protection of those directors.

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"On the occasion of his 42nd birthday, Army General Enver HOXHA has received messages of congratulations from the Presidium of the Central Council of the Albanian United Trade Unions, the Central Committee of the Albanian Working Youth Union, and the Albanian Women's Union...."

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The absence of subject and the Soviet Minister to Albania was noted at ceremonies held in Tirana on 6 November 1950 in honor of the Bolshevik Revolution. Their absence has been tied in with the reported presence in Moscow for the past two months of the Soviet Minister to Albania, and with the alleged negotiations of a political-economic nature now being evolved between the USSR and the states of the Eastern Bloc, in which Albania is particularly interested.

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Washington Comment: Albanian Telegraph Agency broadcast of 29 Nov. 1950 stated that, on the previous day, General Hoxha appeared at the hall where celebrations were being held on the occasion of the sixth anniversary of the liberation of Albania from Fascist occupation. Also present at these celebrations was the Soviet Minister to Albania.

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General of the Army. Secretary-General of the Workers' Party of Albania. Photo shows Subj. greeting Second Congress of Trade Unions of Albania held at Kucove on 23-26 October 1949.

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ZJYA-1507
dtd 17 Nov 50
JEREMYN Att#2



Abas KUPI(qv), who convinced that Ball Kombetar extremists headed by Abas ERMEHI(qv) hoped reach agreement with dissident Communists in Albania, said that they already may be in contact with followers of K. of XOXE through Sabaudin DINO(qv), whom KUPI believed came from Paris accompanied by member Albanian Legation in Paris. KUPI did not know whether this Albanian diplomat acting with approval of Subject and Mehmet SIMENI(qv), or whether representing Xoxists.

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FBIS #212
Nov 1950
Tirana 7 Nov '50

Subject, Chairman of the Council of Ministers, attended a celebration meeting on the occasion of the 13rd anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution organized by the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers' Party, in the Peoples' Theatre Hall, Tirana.

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Subject attended a celebration meeting on the occasion of the sixth anniversary of the Liberation, organized by leaders of the Democratic Front of Albania and the Tirana front. Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania.

FBIS #234
1 Dec 1950
Tirana 29 Nov

General of the Army, Secretary General of the Party, Supreme Commander of the Albanian Armed Forces, Prime Minister, Minister of National Defense, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and President of DF. Deputy for Tirana City of the new People's Assembly, whose first session opened on 28 June 50.

OIR, DRE Info
Paper EER-78
dtd 3 July 50

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The discharge of Spiro PANO and Rita MARKO (qqvv) ~~xxxx~~ is cited by source as a further indication of HOXHA's preoccupation with the disloyalty of his official entourage.

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Info: 21/3/51

Reports of 22 March 1951, believed reliable, state that Subject and vice-premier Tuk JAKOVA(qv) are at odds and that JAKOVA was imprisoned on or about 12 March 1951.

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Rumors of a rift between subject and Mehmet Shehu (qv) based on alleged rivalry for power, have been current since the elections of the summer of 1950. It is also being said that many Army officers and high State officials have taken the side of Shehu. *Washington Comment: Source has not been able to secure any definite evidence confirming or denying this report. Such speculation has been going on for some time past in Albanian circles outside the country, while similar rumors have also previously been reported by contacts in Albania. See SO's 28835b, 30069, 33424, 37753 and 42920.

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SO-59696*
IN-27927
[2-8483)
Date of Info:
March 1951
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The bombing incident in Tirana occurred on 19 Feb. 51 during a gathering of subject and his Soviet advisers; the bomb consisted of a tin of "compressed gasoline" (sic). Of 1,000 persons arrested, including members of the police and army, 50 were shot immediately, and their families interned. There is said to have been some difference of opinion between subject and Mehmet Shehu (qv) regarding the type of punishment to be inflicted; Subject reportedly opposed the death penalty.

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SO-61211*
TN-32206
[1-8818)
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Date of Info:
19 Feb. 51
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It is believed that Subj. still holds post of Minister of Natl Defense as well as Supreme Commander of the Albanian Armed Forces.

B-164-51 Armed Rome
dt inf 2 Feb '51
Source: Ital IS

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Supports Tuk JAKOVA, Manol KONOMI, and Gen. Spiro MOISIU(qqv) who are sympathetic to popular feeling against trial and execution of those accused in Soviet Legation bombing; opposing faction led by Mehmet SHEHU(qv).

Dept. of State Telegram
No. 1397 dtd 30 Mar 51
Yugoslavia, Belgrade

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Subject and Mehmet SHEHU(qv) were not present at the May Day celebration and no explanation for their absence was given. It is believed that they both left unexpectedly for Moscow.

FBIS #97 11 May 51
Athens in Rumanian to
Europe 10 May 51

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Acc. to Stratistika Nee, an attempt was made to assassinate Subject by Minister JAKOVA(qv) during a meeting of the Ministerial Council.

FBIS #94 dtd 8 May 51
from Athens 5 May 51

~~Subject was not present at the meeting.~~

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Liri KONDI and Milka FRASZERI(qqv) are influential girl friends of Subject.

OO-B-33697 F-2
dt inf prior 21 May 51

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An extraordinary plenary meeting of the Central Committee of the Albanian CP was held 14 May 51 under the chairmanship of the Secy Gen, Enver HOXHA.

FBIS #100
18 May 1951
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M. CASSIN, French Minister Tirana, informed his FO on 13 April that names of Mehmet SHEHU(qv) and wife had been appearing more frequently in press on important occasions, while Enver HOXHA and wife were given little publicity.

AmEmb Belgrade Air
Pouch #828
dtd 3 May 1951

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(DEPTEL May 14,)

Rome Foreign Office source confirms absence of Subj. and Mehmet SHEHU(qv) from Tirana on May Day. Other Rome sources believe they were in Moscow.

Rome
5193, 18 May 51

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According to statements made by Rocco PAOLINI (qv), recently returned Ital. Charge-R d'Affaires, Hoxha made three visits to Moscow during PAOLINI's tenure (late 1949 - June 1951). Hoxha ref. for discussion of these trips. Due to a slip-up in scheduling, Hoxha (Paolini repted) arrived in Durres on a Soviet merchant vessel on the same day that the SS ODETTO brought Paolini's successor, Vincenzo GULLI (qv - see SO 65485).

SOOB-SACCS*
15 June 51
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HOXHA, Enver

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Present at the meeting (held the night of July 22 9) in celebration of 8th anniversary of the People's Army. Chairman of the Council of Ministers and the Supreme Commandant of the Armed Forces.

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Army General and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Albania. Attended ceremony at "Stalin" oil town on 22 July on occasion of inauguration of a monument to STALIN.

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Army General Enver HOXHA, born 16 October 1908, is the Albanian Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of People's Defense, and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces. His background is that of an intellectual rather than a political leader or soldier, and unlike most Satellite rulers, he is not Moscow-trained.

FHIS #138
dtd 11 July 1951
ATA Tirana 10 J1

FHIS #147
dtd 24 July 1951
Tirana, Albanian
Home Service
22 July

1 July 1951
Biog. Info
Army
Acting Chief
of Staff, G-2
Project #4113

He attended the University of Montpellier in France, about 1930, and later the University of Brussels, where he also served as Secretary in the Albanian Consulate General. While in France, he came in contact with the Communist movement. Between 1936 and 1939, he was an instructor in secondary schools in Tirana and Korce.

After Italy's forcible annexation of Albania in April 1939, General Hoxha helped organize a native resistance movement, and later became one of the foremost partisan leaders. In May 1944, he was appointed Commander in Chief of the Army and in October he also became Prime Minister. In March 1946, the additional assignments of Minister of People's Defense and Minister of Foreign Affairs were given to General Hoxha. General Hoxha is ruthless, cunning, shrewdly pro-Kremlin, and, in many respects, an opportunist. He has a wide-

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able personal status among the Albanian people, by whom he is respected as the leader of the national liberation. His personal traits -- a dominant personality, ambitious nature, and organizational ability -- in addition to a willingness to listen to expert advice, have greatly aided him in retaining power. In spite of all rumors to the contrary, he appears to receive the complete approbation of the Soviets. He speaks five or six languages, including some English.

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Headed 2nd session of National Assembly which convened to discuss the budget.

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FBIS #117 dtd
11 June 1951
Tirana in Albanian to Europe
8 June 1951

Subject reported Moscow (fairly reliable Albanian source). Mehmet SHEHU(qv), acting chief. Source shares long-standing belief that Subj. definitely in Moscow disfavor, while popularity SHEHU soaring. At present SHEHU appears likely successor to MR Subj. Subj's visit to Moscow considered highly possibly by Itals; however, rpt not confirmed.

ab

Joint Weeks #36
7 Sept 1951
Dept Army

Subject attended concert in Tirana on Sep 4.

okd

FBIS #179
dtd 7 Sep 51
Tirana, in Albanian to Europe, 5 Sep 51

Same report as in Joint Weeks #36, 7 Sep 51, DA, see above precis.

okd

HQS USFA-Intel
Summary, No. 325
18 Sep 51

Subject reported to have not attended the May Day celebration in Tirana because he was in neighborhood of Scutari and Puka putting down resistance.

okd

Attach. to 33-
CRIAG
dtd 24 May 51

HOXHA, Enver

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A fairly reliable source reports that Subject (spelled Hodja) is presently in Moscow. Mehmed Shehu (qv) Minister of Interior and a strong party leader, is acting during his absence. The Italian Intelligence organization considers this visit highly possible although it is not confirmed. (Legation Comment - The source shares the long-standing belief that Subject is definitely in disfavor with Moscow, while the popularity of Shehu with the Soviets is soaring. At present Shehu appears to be the likely successor to Subject.

HQS USAF, Intell.
Summary, No. 325
18 Sep 51

^{okd}
Informant for SIC rpt containing info on armed forces personalities, R-105-51
hospitals, Soviet families, Greek guerrillas, roads, and economics in Army Greece
Albania reports that subject is Prime Minister (Krye Ministri); (SIC/M/A/71)
Minister of National Defence (Ministri Mbrojtjes Kombetare), and dt inf Up to Nov 50
General of the Army (Gjeneral Armate) during the period 1948 to
Dec. 50. Listed as Colonel General (Kolonel Gjeneral).

^{mb}
Born in Hoskater, Albania in 1912.

MASA-874 (Encl. 42)
dtd Nov 51: CIC
DofI: 23 Sep 48

^{okd}
Secretary General of Albanian Workers Party. Subject welcomed delegates from all over the world, attending the 10th anniversary festivities of the formation of the Albanian Workers Party.

FBIS: No. 218
dtd 1 Nov 1951
ATA to Europe
31 October 1951

^{ab}
At end of October 1951, Subject and Adil CARGANI(qv), were present at the opening of a new cotton processing factory at Pior.

en 76660(IN-41308/
C 1 7984)
C 3 C-3

^{ab}
Split between Subj. and Mehmet SHEHU(qv), which until recently had remained latent, has now become more pronounced. Rumors widespread in Tirana that presence of both in Moscow in May '51 due to their going to Soviet Union to seek resolution of their personal differences; if this the reason, however, trip unsuccessful, and their enmity has deepened. Enmity stems partly from SHEHU's imprisonment of various HOXHA supporters and from SHEHU widening his personal power under pretext of his Ministry position; rift has spread to Workers' Party itself, which is gradually splitting into factions.

en 766911(PIR-11597)
C 3 C-6
dt inf mid-Sept '51

^{ab}
Source's informant is confidential source from Belgrade. About middle Aug '51 Hasan DOSTI(qv) sent cable to Subj. saying that large quantities food, clothing and shoes had been collected and were ready to be sent to Albania for distribution, but that distribution must be made by International Red Cross or by a Comm. of the UN.

PGA-7131 C 1 C-3
dt inf prior 19 Oct '51

HOXHA, Enver

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Contents of cable broadcast by secret radio station in Southern Albania. After distribution of pamphlets, which stated that Sov. Union and Subj. did not accept the offer, Subj. compelled to announce that he had received the cable from DOSTI. Subj., however, called DOSTI tool of American warmongers, etc.

ab

PGA-7131 cont.

HOXHA, ENVER GENERAL

A-43350 - Prime Minister of new democratic
govt. President of Anti-Fascist
Committee.
A-44595 a - Prime Minister of FNC Prov. Govt.
A-46055 - Statement of Enver Hoxha, news item
A-46189 - Promotion to Marshal
A-46191 - Speech - Independence Day Celebration
A-47850 - Interview with Hoxha
A-48942 - Quarrel with Nishani

Investigation of Tirana dailies Zeri i Popullit and Hashkimi from 15 Nov - 15 Dec 51 indicates that Subj. out of country during this period, probably in Moscow. All decrees issued during this period bore signature of Vice Premier SHEHU. Nor did HOXHA participate in ceremonies on 29 Nov, commemorating 8th anniversary of country's "liberation," and other public functions.

ab

IR #5635.53
31 Jan 82

Subj. is a weak character, but servile and easily controllable. In case of elimination of Subj. and Mehmet SHEHU(qv), preferred Soviet candidates would be Manush SHEFTIU, Koco TASHKO and Gogo RUSHTI(qv).

SO-86687(WIR-1072)
B-3
dt inf Prior to
March 1952

Dimitri CHUVAKHIN(qv) was in close personal contact with Subject, while Maj. Gen. Victor GLEBOV(qv) appeared to favor Mehmet SHEHU(qv).

ab

Top Secret
SO DB-53732
B-3

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The Albanian Workers Party's Second Congress met on 1 Apr. to begin debate on the report presented by Subject, Secretary General of the Albanian Workers Party. Meeting held in Tirane.

FBIS # 67

dtd 3 Apr 52

Tirana, ATA, in French
Morse to Europe-1 Apr

af

Chief of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania. Received in audience the Soviet State delegation headed by Col. General of the Guard GALISKIY (qv), 27 Nov 52.

FBIS #233-28Nov52

Tirana, Home, 27 Nov 52

af

Secretary General of the Albanian Workers Party. Spoke at the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers Party and the Party Committee for Tirana on 6 Nov in Tirana. Member of the presidium of this conference.

FBIS #222-12 Nov 52

Tirana, Albanian
Home Service-7Nov52

af

Toured Northern Albania with Mehmet SHEHU, Tuk JAKOVA, and Maj. Gen. Myslim PEZA (all qv).

FBIS #179 - dtd 11 Sep

Tirana, ATA, in French
Morse to Europe-10Sep52

af

Papers for 5 Sep 52 carried an open letter by Subject and members of the Party Politburo addressed to the district electoral committees announcing in which districts Politburo members will stand as candidates in the forthcoming elections to the people's councils. Subject, who has

FBIS #176

dtd 8 Sep 52

Tirana, ATA
5 Sept 52

been proposed by every district as the first candidate of the people will stand in Electoral Zone No. 16, the town of Tirana.

af

Prime Minister. In a speech before a mass meeting, in Tirana on 27 Oct on his return from Moscow, declared that the Albanian people must be totally mobilized for the defense of the Motherland.

IR 5635.90

dtd 5 Nov 1952

af

The delegation of the Albanian Workers Party led by Subject, which took part in the 19th CPSU Congress, returned to Albania on 27 October.

FBIS #224 212

dtd 28 Oct 52

Tirana, ATA,
in Fr. Morse to
Europe 27 Oct

ab

Mehmet SHEHU addressed a mass meeting in Tirana on 5 October on occasion of opening of Soviet Party Congress in Moscow, and spoke in high praise of Subject, then in Moscow, heading an Albanian delegation to the Congress.

FBIS #196 dtd

6 Oct 52

Tirana, ATA,
in Fr. Morse to
Europe, 5 Oct

ab

HOXHA, Enver

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Attended the reception given by Ioan TOTOLANI (qv), Rumanian diplomatic representative in Tirana, in honor of the fifth anniversary of the Rumanian Republic.
af

FBIS #1-dtd 2 Jan 53
Tirana, Home,
31 Dec 1952

Received at the brigade's palace in Tirana, a group of about 200 Pioneers with Mehmet SHEHU, Mysni RAPO, Gogo NUSHI, Spiro KOLENA, Pilo FERISTERI, and Manush KYFTIU (qqv).
af

FBIS #1
dtd 2 Jan 1953
Tirana, Home -
31 Dec 1952

Subject attended a meeting in the People's Theater in Tirana on the occasion of the 35th Anniversary of the formation of the Soviet Army, on 22 Feb 1953.
jdk

FBIS #38
dtd 26 Feb 1953
Tirana, Home
22 Feb 1953

Directs the Foreign Affairs, People's Defense Section, of the Prime Minister's office.
jdk

SECRET
C 1
DT INFO July 1952

Secretary General of the Albanian Workers Party and Chief of the Council of Ministers. Subject with members of the Central Committee, the Government, and the People's Presidium, paid a condolence visit on the occasion of STALIN'S death, to the Soviet Legation, on 6 March.
jdk

FBIS #45
dtd 9 Mar 1953
Tirana, Home
6 March 1953

The fact that Subject Premier, who is also Secretary General of the Albanian Communist Party was the only one among the six leaders of the Communist Parties in the People's Democracies not to go to Moscow for Stalin's funeral has been holding the attention of Balkan Affairs specialists in Paris. They interpret this absence as an indication of the tension prevailing in Albania on the day following STALIN'S death. According to them, this interpretation is strengthened by the fact that Interior Minister Mehmet SHEHU (qv) did not figure in Albania's delegation, which was headed by Vice Premier and Politburo member Spiro KOLENA (qv).
jdk

PARIS AFP RADIO-
TELETYPE IN FRENCH
TO THE AMERICAS.
9 Feb 1953

Lead an oath of the Albanian people to STALIN at the conclusion of funeral address by Mysni RAPO (v) to 60,000 persons gathered in Shkenderbeg Square, Tirana.
jdk

FBIS #46
dtd 10 March 1953
Tirana, Home 9 March

Secretary General of the Albanian Workers Party and Chief of the Council of Ministers. Subject, Omer NISHANI (qv), Maj. Gen. Myslim IZMA (v), and Deputy Premiers of the People's Assembly, visited the Soviet Legation in Tirana on the occasion of STALIN'S funeral, on 9 March 1953.

FBIS #46
dtd 10 March 1953
Tirana, Home
9 March 1953

Subject, Dr. Omer NISHANI, and members of the Politburo, the Central Committee of the Party, of the Government, and of the People's Presidium, signed an oath to STALIN addressed to the Soviet Union, on 10 March 1953. Signing of the oath began in Albania on 9 March.
jdk

FBIS #47
dtd 11 March 1953
Tirana, Home
11 March 1953

HOXHA, Enver

ALBANIA - 19

Radio Belgrade on 28 Dec mentioned in connection with Beqir BALLUKU'S liquidation that of the wartime Central Committee of the Albanian Communist (now Workers') Party, only one member, Subject remains.

jdk

IR #5635.97
dtd 30 Dec 1952

Wrote an article for the Moscow newspaper Pravda in which he accused Western powers and Yugoslavia of intending to attack Albania and divide country among themselves. Written by order of Moscow Govt--also possible that Subj. really did not write article, as is well-known practice in Pravda to prefabricate commentaries--especially interesting that it is pointed out in article that Soviet Union and the People's Democracies are loyal friends of Albania. It seems that internal ~~xxx~~ situation in Albania is such that even Govt of Soviet Union has become worried about whether its agents in Albania will be able to remain in power or not. This is why intensification of vigilance against "internal enemies" has been demanded in the article.

ab

FBIS #61 dtd
31 Mar 53
~~Six months~~
~~22 Mar~~ Belgrade,
in Eng. to Europe
26 Mar 53

Re: Italian Legation in Tirana Report on Enver Hoxha's Trip to Moscow. (in October 1952)

jdk

Top Secret #85702
SCDB-61876 31 Dec 1952
IN-21920

According to the Moscow press, the Albanian delegation to the 19th Party Congress was composed of Subject, Rita MARKO, and Padil PACRAMI (qqv). The delegation went to and returned from the Soviet Union by sea.

jdk

IR# 5635.92
dtd 7 Jan 1953

Greek Military Attache on 31 March 53 was recipient of 2 reports stating: (1) Neither Subject or SHEHU present at Albanian ceremonies observing STALIN'S death. (2) Only SHEHU present. Attributes more credence first report.

jdk

USARMA BELGRADE
#YUC-1637
dtd 2 April 1953

Secretary General of the Albanian Workers Party and President of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania. Subject was elected to the working presidium of the second Congress of the Albanian Agricultural Cooperatives at its opening 20 Apr 1953 at the People's Theater in Tirana.

jdk

FBIS #76
dtd 21 April 1953
Tirana, Home, 20 Apr

Subject made a speech at the fourth session of the second Albanian Cooperative Congress on 21 April.

jdk

FBIS #78
dtd 23 April 1953
Tirana, Home, 21 Apr

Present at May Day celebration in Tirana 1 May, accompanied by Dr. Omer NISHANI (qv).

jdk

FBIS #85
dtd 4 May 1953
Tirana, Home, 1 May

NOIRA, Enver

ALBANIA -20

The Turkish Intelligence Service in Andrinople has received a report stating that MALINKOV does not consider Subject to be reliable, and that the MGB (Soviet IS) has "taken care of the personal security" of Subject in Tirana. Informant also stated that Subject had been invited to go to Moscow, to remain until the end of April (???)

jdk

Apostol YEREF (qv), who was a personal friend of Subject, in a personal interview with Frank SPENCER, Jr. (qv), told latter that Enver NOIRA, by profession a high school teacher who before the War studied and received a diploma in France, later held a diplomatic post for the Albanian Govt in Switzerland.

ab

Attended a festive meeting held by the Party Committee on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the foundation of the People's Army, on 9 July in Tirana.

jdk

Attended a meeting in Tirana on the occasion of the ninth anniversary of Poland's Liberation, held on 22 July 1953.

MLB-142, dtd 22 Apr 1953
Dt info current
Source: [] D-6
(Informant is Sharif
Mur-al-Din OXAL)

SIBA-264
Dtd 19 May 53

FBIS #135
dtd 13 July 1953
Tirana, ATA, in English
Horse to Europe, 10 July

FBIS #114
dtd 24 July 1953
Tirana, ATA, English

Appointed Chairman of the Council of Ministers at a meeting of the plenum of the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers Party, the Council of Ministers, and the Presidium of the People's Assembly at a meeting held on 23 July 1953. The Council of Ministers is to be reorganized.

jdk

Subject made a speech in which he presented the new Government and its program to the fifth session of the People's Assembly of the Albanian People's republic which opened at 1800 hours yesterday, 1 Aug 1953.

jdk

On 4 July Subject Chief of the Council of Ministers received Vasil VASILEV (qv) as Envoy from Bulgaria.

jdk

Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces. Attended an exhibition on 8 July in the Central House of the People's Army in connection with the Army's 10th anniversary.

jdk

Loro BERNINI (qv) met Subject in Paris. After BERNINI's release from prison in October 1949, BERNINI was given interview with [redacted].

ab

FBIS #114
dtd 24 July 1953
Tirana, ATA, in French
Horse to Europe, 24 July

FBIS #150
dtd 3 August 1953
Tirana, ATA, in Fr.
Horse to Europe,
2 August 1953

FBIS #130
dtd 6 July 1953
Tirana, 4 July

FBIS #133
dtd 9 July 1953
Tirana, ATA, English,
8 July 1953

MLB-2702, [redacted]

HOXHA, Enver

Albania -21

Subject attended reception given by Ion PATRIKI (qv) on the occasion of the 9th anniversary of the liberation of Rumania from Nazi occupation by the Soviet Army.

mal

FBIS #167
dtd 26 Aug 53
Tirana ATA Eng.
24 Aug 53

Subject was present at the Third Congress of the Association at the People's Theater on Aug. 30, 1953.

mal

FBIS #170
dtd 31 Aug 53
Tirana, Home
30 Aug 53

Subject was present at the Soviet artists' concert held in the People's Theater, on Aug 28.

mal

FBIS #171
dtd 1 Sept 53
Tirana ATA, Eng.
29 Aug 53

Subject, on 8 Sept, at Council of Ministers meeting cancelled the Peasants' Tax Debts to State.

mal

FBIS #178
28 Sept 53
Tirana, Home
10 Sept 53

Subject, on 23 Sept 53, gave a reception in honor of the Soviet Ambassador, LEVICHKIN (qv). They Exchanged greeting speeches.

mal

FBIS #188.25
Tirana, Home
24 Sept 53

Subject present at reception given by LEVICHKIN (qv) on 25 Sept to celebrate the arrival of a Soviet cultural delegation and Soviet artist.

mal

FBIS #189
28 Sept 53
Tirana, ATA, Eng.
27 Sept 53

Chairman of Council of Ministers of People's Republic, present on 7 Oct at a reception for the German Democratic Republic celebrating the 4th anniversary of the Republic.

mal

FBIS #198, 9 Oct
Tirana, ATA, Eng
8 Oct 53

Subject celebrated his 45th birthday on 16 Oct. 53.

mal

FBIS #204, 19 Oct 53
Tirana, Home 16 Oct

Sec. General of Party. Present on 6 Nov in Tirana at the 36th anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution.

mal

FBIS #219, 9 Nov 53
Tirana, Home
7 Nov 53

Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

Present at the 9th anniversary of the liberation of Alb. from fascist and home traitors. Present at opera on the 27th of Nov.

mal

FBIS #232, 233
39 Nov, 1 Dec 53
Tirana, Home
28, 29 Nov 53

Chair of the Council of Ministers. Attended dinner at the Bulgarian Legation of the 6th anniversary of the Treaty between Alb. and Bulg.

mal

FBIS #244, 17 Dec
Tirana, Home
17 Dec 53

HOXHA, Enver

Albania - 22

Local press story quoting London, with East Berlin source, reports Sov Union contemplating Satellite leaders conference at Berlin. Subject among leaders scheduled arrived at end of week. Subj's absence at Lenin events may give credence to story.

ab

Subject received the Czechoslovakian Minister Dr. Josef URBAN on 5 Jan 1954.

mal

Received the German Minister, Erhard SCHEFFLER on 5 Jan 1954.

mal

Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Sec. Gen. of the Party. Present on 18 Feb in Tirana at meeting of the second congress of artisans' cooperatives. Also elected to working presidium.

mal

IN-13316/C 17202
dtd 28 Jan 54

FBIS #28, 10 Feb 54
Tirana, Home
5 Feb 1954

FBIS #29, 11 Feb 1954
Tirana, Home
5 Feb 54

FBIS #35, 19 Feb
Tirana, Home
18 Feb 1954

Present at the Draper e Cekan 8th anniversary of the agricultural cooperative on 21 Feb.

mal

FBIS #38,
25 Feb
Tirana, Home
22 Feb 54

Present at 5th anniversary of Lenin's death in Tirana, 5 March.

mal

FBIS #45, 8 March
Tirana, Home
5 March 1954

Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Sec Gen of the Alb. Workers' Party. Elected to working presidium of the 1st national cotton growers conference in Tirana on 9 - 10 March 1954.

mal

FBIS #47, 48
10-11 March 54
Tirana, Home
9-10 March 54

Although Subject's parents live with him in Tirana, many members of his family still live in Gjinokastor. The best known of them is his uncle, Muco HOXHA(qv).

jdk

IR 5635, 13h
dtd 7 Oct 1954

Present at tobacco growers conference. Chairman of Council of Ministers

mk

FBIS #49, 1 Mar 54
Tirana, Home
25 Mar 54

Chairman of Council of Ministers. Attended National Cotton Conference in Tirana, 10-11 March 1954. Elected to working presidium of conference.

FBIS #47,
10-11 March 54
Tirana, Home

Albania - 23

Chairman of Council of Ministers of People's Republic of Albania.
Present at reception given on occasion of 9th anniversary of liberation of Hungary by the Soviet Army, Dajti Hotel, 4 Apr 54.

FBIS #66, 6 Apr 54
Tirana, Rome, 5 Apr 54

mk

President of Democratic Front of Albania. Opened meeting of General Council of Albanian Democratic Front, Apr 13, Tirana 13 Apr 1954.

FBIS #72, 14 Apr 54
Tirana, Rome, 13 Apr 54

mk

30th anniversary of death of patriot Avni Rustemi commemorated 21 Apr 54. A monument to ~~mk~~ Rustemi was inaugurated in presence of Enver Hoxha, Chairman of Council of Ministers and Secretary General of Albanian Workers ~~mk~~ Party. Also present was Mehmet Shehu, Deputy Premier and Minister of Interior.

FBIS #78, 22 Apr 54.
Tirana Rome 21 Apr 54

mk

Chairman of Albanian Council of Ministers and Secretary General of Albanian Workers Party. Attended Albanian Economic Conference held 28 Apr 54.

FBIS #84, 30 Apr 54
Tirana, Rome
28 Apr 54

mk

Official Alb. new agency announced the Alb. Labor (communist) Party abolished the post of Sec'y.-general and instituted a secretariat of the General Committee, headed by Subj. as 1st Sec'y.

NY Times, 18 Jul 54

PG

Subject, Communist leader of Albania, relinquished post of Premier which he has held for 10 yrs according to the official Albanian news agency. Maj. Gen Mehmet SHEHU (qv) is Subj's successor. Subj., age 55, retains his post as 1st Sec'y of Comm. party, which title was accorded him a few days ago when the post of Sec'y.-General was abolished.

PG

Chairman of Council of Ministers of People's Republic of Albania. Addressed ~~mk~~ telegram to Chairm of Council of Ministers of People's Republic of Czechoslovakia, Vilian Siroky, commemorating 9th anniversary of liberation of Czechoslovakia by Soviet Army.

FBIS #90, 10 May 54
Tirana, Rome
8 May 54

mk

Subject spoke to Electors of Zone 107, 12 May 54.

FBIS #94, 14 May 54
Tirana, Rome
13 May 54.

mk

See cards of Mehmet SHEHU for opposite reference: "Changes in Albania".

IN 5635.177.
25 Aug. 1954

HOXHA, Enver

Albania - 24

A. Internal Developments

1. Hoxha and Shehu Appear Together in South. Albanian press and radio reports indicate that Enver Hoxha left Tirana soon after he resigned as Premier on July 20 and went to Korce, in southern Albania, where he taught before the war and where his Communist activities had their inception in the late 1930's. This was probably the reason he did not attend the reception at the Polish Embassy in Tirana on July 22.¹ In the first days of August he began appearing at agricultural collectives in the Korce area, and on August 8, accompanied by Premier Mehmet Shehu and other Communist Party officials, he visited the agricultural collective at Remberc village.

IR-5635.177
25 Aug. 1954

Shehu apparently went south in order to appear in public with Hoxha and thus spike widespread rumors originating in the country and from abroad that the two men were at loggerheads. An Albanian intellectual who fled to Greece late in July reported that Hoxha's resignation as Prime Minister had wide repercussions in Albania and that Hoxha had been actually forced to give up the post as head of the government. (Source)

The replaced ex-fres. of Government Subject, retains only post of General Secretary of Albanian C.P. The reason for a/m replacement has not been known in Albania. It was rumored only that Subject had immediate need of rest because for many years he held position of Pri-Minister, and was in charge of other Ministries as well, so that he was excessively tired of work load. People do not believe in a/m rumours, and replacement lowered morale of people, because new Pri-Minister is criminal, violent, and cruel character, contrasting to Subject who was much milder.

SCA 2779
dtd 17 Dec. '54
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bjf

HOXHA, accompanied by Hysni KAPO and Gogo BUSHI, members of the Politburo, visited the agricultural fair in Shkoder.

FBIS
10/11/54

HOXHA among prominent officials invited by the Soviet Government and the CPSU Central Committee for a friendly visit to the USSR. The Albanian Government and Workers Party delegation was led by SHEHU.

FBIS-32L
4/11/57

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